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IN THE APPLICATION OF:

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Title Method and System for Automated
Inference of Physico-Chemical Interaction
Knowledge Via Co-occurrence Analysis of
Indexed Literature Databases

Examiner: Mary K. Zeman

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed March 17, 2003, Applicants hereby elect claims directed to invention I (claims 1-15). Applicants hereby requests cancellation of claims 16-23.

Respectfully submitted,

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